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Application of Edmund Bauerlein et al.

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to taking up this case for examination, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

In the disclosure

Page 2, after line 6, insert:

-- Brief description of the drawing

A 1 The invention is described in greater detail with reference being had to the sole figure of the drawing which shows a rat liver before, 5 minutes after, 24 hours after and 48 hours after magnetosome treatment.

Detailed description--

In the claims

Please replace claims 1-16 with the following new claims: